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1. GOB MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT AND INDUSTRIES YOUSUF SHIRAWI HAS RELEASED TO THE PRESS THE CONSULTANT'S MAPS REGARDING THE PROPOSED BAHRAIN-SAUDI CAUSEWAY. ACCORDING TO THE REPRODUCTION OF THE MAP IN THE GULF WEEKLY MIRROR, THE SAUDI TERMINAL WILL BE ABOUT HALFWAY BETWEEN AL-KHOBAR AND AL-AZIZIYAH. THE CAUSEWAY, WHICH WILL TOTAL TWENTY FIVE KILOMETERS IN LENGTH, FEATURES FOUR HIGH-SPAN BRIDGES BETWEEN THE SAUDI MAINLAND AND THE BAHRAINI ISLAND OF UMM NASAN WHERE THE GOB WILL PLACE ITS BORDER STATION TO CHECK IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS. FROM UMM NASAN THE CAUSEWAY PROCEEDS TO JASRA ON THE WESTERN COAST OF BAHRAIN ISLAND AND FROM THERE A MAJOR NEW HIGHWAY WHICH WILL CONNECT WITH MANAMA AND THE MINA SULMAN PORT AREA. REPORTERS QUOTE SHIRAWI AS SAYING THAT THE HIGHWAY WILL HAVE EXIT/ENTRANCE ONLY AS JASRA AND THE MAIN JUNCTION LEADING INTO UNCLASSIFIED

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MANAMA, I.E., IT WILL NOT SERVICE THE ROUGHLY TEN KILOMETERS IN BETWEEN.

2. WHILE TECHNICAL DETAILS ARE STILL SCARCE, THE SAME STORY SAYS THAT THE MAIN BRIDGE OVER THE NAVIGATION CHANNEL WEST OF UMM NASAN WILL BE 26.5 METERS HIGH WHEREAS THE OTHER THREE BRIDGES

WILL BE 15.5 METERS HIGH. THE DRAUGHT OF THE
NAVIGATION CHANNEL, NOW USED BY DHOWS, TUGS AND
BARGES, IS ONLY 18-20 FEET.
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